SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please amend the Specification as follows.

Cross Reference to Related Applications

[0001] The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/128,953 filed April 22, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,810,175, entitled "Off-Axis Mode Scrambler" by Jun Shan Wey *et al.*, which is incorporated herein by reference. The present invention is also related to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/886,248 filed June 20, 2001, entitled "Multimode Optical Signal Transmission in a Free-Space Optical Communication System" by Mark Lewis Plett.